

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK ÖFFICE

Commissioner for Patents, 8on PCT United States Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 2023

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTY. DOCKET NO.		
09/979,575	Paul J. Biermann		1550-SPL	
		INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.		
	_	PCT/US0	PCT/US01/11170	
Francis A Cooh		I.A. FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE	
The Johns Hopkins University		04/05/2001	04/07/2000	

Francis A Cooh
The Johns Hopkins University
Applied Physics Laboratory
11100 Johns Hopkins Road
Laurel, MD 20723-6099

CONFIRMATION NO. 5943
371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER
OC00000007240563

Date Mailed: 01/02/2002

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

11/06/2001 DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and

(c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

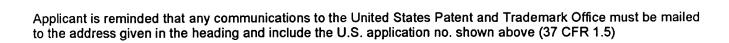
<u>11/06/2001</u>

DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C. REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE "FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE. The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- · Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- · Request for Immediate Examination



INDIA L EVANS Telephone: (703) 305-2936

PART 3 - OFFICE COPY